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(PATENT - ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT)

As below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is of the following type: (check one applicable item below)

Original

Design

National stage of PCT

INVENTORSHIP DECLARATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (*if only one name is listed below*) or an original, first and joint inventor (*if plural names are listed below*) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

FILLING DEVICE COMPRISING LATERAL FILLING WINDOWS

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

specification of which:

is attached hereto.

was filed on _____ as Serial No. _____
and was amended on _____ (*if applicable*).

NOTE: Amendments filed after the original papers are deposited with the PTO which contain new matter are not accorded a filing date by being referred to in the declaration. Accordingly, the amendments involved are those filed with the application papers or, in the case of a supplemental declaration, are those amendments claiming matter not encompassed in the original statement of invention or claims. See 37 CFR 1.67.

was described and claimed in PCT International Application No.
PCT/DE03/00054 filed on 10/January/2003

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all known information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations. § 1.56.

In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement. 37 CFR 1.97.

PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

no such applications have been filed.

such applications have been filed as follows.

NOTE: Where item (c) is entered above and the International Application which designated the U.S. claimed priority check item (e), enter the details below and make the priority claim.

**EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION**

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed under 37 U.S.C. 119
GERMANY	102 01 318.7	15/January/2002	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION**

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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